

Life in a Fishbowl

Two Kennedys Will Have To Take \$15 Back Seats

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By Marie Smith

ATTORNEY GENERAL and Mrs. Robert F. Kennedy will take back seats at the opening of "Mr. President" on Sept. 25 at the National Theater while their \$100 seats in the orchestra are filled by "two real theater bugs," Mr. and Mrs. David B. Smith, of 3613 T st. nw.



Miss Smith

Smith, an artist, author and restorer of antique furniture, paid \$15 each for the tickets, they're swapping with the Kennedys.

His name was plucked from a fishbowl yesterday by Mrs. David Ginsburg, ticket chairman for the opening of the Irving Berlin musical that is a benefit

ping took place on the sun-dappled terrace at Hickory Hill, the Attorney General's home in McLean.

OTHER ticket swapping will take place on Monday, before the opening, to mix the VIPs among the audience.

Twelve foreign students who will serve as ushers at the benefit opening were guests at yesterday's tea at Hickory Hill, and Ethel Kennedy, in an attractive rose print sleeveless dress, took the girls on a tour of the grounds where they saw the pets and the little Kennedys at play.

At the stables Kathleen Kennedy and a friend were riding horses and the two-some cantered off to show their skills. Courtney was getting a riding lesson and did so well her mother said proudly "she does ride well for a six-year-old."

Two-year-old Kerry joined the group after a nap and was scooped up by her mother for a hug and kiss. Then she met the guests and politely said "how do you do" to them.

When one guest asked 4-year-old Michael what his uncle does he responded brightly "You mean Uncle Jack. He lands in helicopters."

THE STUDENT ushers who may wear native dress or American clothes, as they prefer, were talking at the tea. Pretty

Jacqueline Pictet, from France who is the niece of Madame Alphand, wife of the French Ambassador, said she plans to wear a long pink ball gown.

The two ushers from India, Ela Jasni, a student at Georgetown University, and Sumita Mitra, a student at Howard University, plan to wear colorful saris of their country.

The other ushers and the schools they attend are Christine Yen, of China, Trinity; Leek Yee Low, of Singapore, the International School of Design; Esther Yilma, Ethiopia, a former airline hostess studying high school administration at McKinley; Narcissa de Leon, from The Philippines, Georgetown University; Susana Hinze, Argentina, University of Maryland; Halda Shapurian, Iran, George Washington University; and Jean Millar, England, University of Maryland.

Mrs. Ginsburg announced that the preopening dinners have been scheduled for holders of \$35 tickets. They will be given by Director of the Budget Bureau and Mrs. David Bell; Rep. and Mrs. Hale Boggs; Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Barnes; Mr. and Mrs. John Gross and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Walla.

Both \$35 and \$15 tickets are still available, she said, and may be reserved by telephone or by writing to her at 1008 S. St. NW.

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